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**PETITION TFOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b); FEE TRANSMITTAL; AND RESPONSE  
TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 8, 2005**

**TITLE:** SPRING CLAMP SYSTEM  
**U.S. SERIAL NO.:** 10/706,491  
**FILING DATE:** November 12, 2003  
**INVENTOR:** Michael Panosian  
**EXAMINER:** Robert C. Watson  
**GROUP ART UNIT:** 3723  
**CONFIRMATION NO.:** 7214

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UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**Docket Number (Optional)  
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First named inventor: Michael Panosian

Application No.: 10/706,491

Art Unit: 3723

Filed: November 12, 2003

Examiner: Robert C. Watson

Title: SPRING CLAMP SYSTEM

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**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee -- required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

## 1. Petition fee

☐ Small entity - fee \$\_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Other than small entity - fee \$1,500.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m))

## 2. Reply and/or fee

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in  
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☒ is enclosed herewith.

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- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$\_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

## 4. STATEMENT. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (II)(C) and (D))].

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- ☒ Reply
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Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).		<b>Complete If Known</b>	
		Application Number	10/706,491
<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2006</b>		Filing Date	November 12, 2003
		First Named Inventor	Michael Panosian
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Examiner Name	Robert C. Watson
		Art Unit	3723
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)		1500.00	Attorney Docket No. CAHD/0008

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.		
<b>Indep. Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
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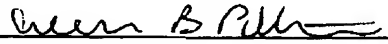
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Non-English Specification. \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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